

CROP-WEATHER REPORT

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AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Good rain in many eastern areas.

Small grain progress remains ahead of average.

Livestock conditions look favorable.

Daytime highs were mostly in the 90's with some triple digits recorded, while nighttime temperatures were mostly in the mid to upper 40's. Above normal precipitation was received in eastern parts of the State as cooler, wetter weather temporarily interrupted the hot spell.

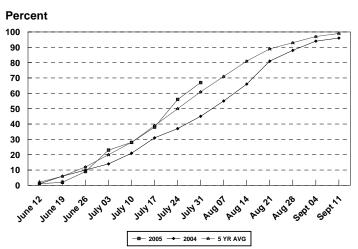
As of July 31, 35 percent of the State had adequate topsoil moisture, just above last week's 34 percent. Supplies were still ahead the 5-year average of 19 percent but behind last year's 39 percent. Irrigation water supplies were at 71 percent adequate or surplus, 32 points better than last year. Water regulations were in place in some southwest areas.

SOIL MOISTURE TABLE

TOPSOIL	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg		
		Percent				
Very						
Sĥort	15	16	17	39		
Short	50	50	44	42		
Adeq	35	34	39	19		
Surp	0	0	0	0		

CROP PROGRESS TABLE	his	Last	Last	5-Yr
	eek	Week	Year	Avq
	00.2		ercent	
Barley Headed	97	92	99	97
Barley Turn Color	76	68	79	79
Barley Mature	53	36	45	49
Barley Harvested	19	5	18	18
Oats Headed	89	78	84	87
Oats Turn Color	65	51	56	52
Oats Mature	41	28	33	23
Oats Harvested	22	18	10	6
Spring Wht Turn Colo	r 81	69	65	59
Spring Wheat Mature	41	21	40	24
Spring Wheat Harvest	ed 22	9	8	6
Winter Wheat Mature	95	91	98	96
Winter Wht Harvested	. 85	75	76	79
Corn Tasseled	57	39	54	72
Corn Silked	29	6	4	31
Corn Milk	5	-	5	3
Dry Beans Bloom	69	63	55	72
Dry Beans Set Pod	52	38	14	33
Alfalfa Second Cut	17	7	15	24
Other Hay Harvested	67	56	45	61

Other Hay Cut



FIELD CROP REPORT: With mostly dry conditions, an average of 6.6 days were suitable for field work. The condition of oats and spring wheat declined somewhat. Crop progress stayed ahead of average for small grains. Over half of the barley had matured, ahead of last year by 8 points and the average by 4 points. Barley harvest was 19 percent complete, one point ahead of both last year and average. Oats were mature in 41 percent of the State, 18 points ahead of average. Oats harvest was 22 percent complete, ahead of the average by 16 points.

Winter wheat harvest continued to make good progress. With 85 percent of the winter wheat crop harvested statewide, progress was ahead of both last year and average. Spring wheat progress stayed well ahead of average. Spring wheat harvest was at 22 percent, compared with the average of 6 percent.

Sugarbeet and corn condition were virtually unchanged with both over 80 percent good or excellent. Corn had tasseled in 57 percent of the state, behind the average by 15 points. Dry bean bloom slowed from last week. Dry beans were 69 percent bloomed, 3 points behind average. Fifty-two percent of the dry beans had set pods, 19 points ahead of average. The second cutting of alfalfa was at 17 percent complete, ahead of last year by 2 points but 7 points behind the average. All other hay cutting continued with 67 percent complete, a little ahead of average.

CROP CONDITION TABLE

ITEM	V POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCEL		
Percent							
Barley	0	0	26	70	4		
Oats	0	1	42	55	2		
Spring Wht	0	0	72	25	3		
Corn	0	0	15	78	7		
Sugarbeets	0	0	13	82	5		
Dry Beans	0	0	12	88	0		

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE, AND RANGE REPORT: Livestock condition was improved over last year. Cattle were rated 90 percent good and 3 percent excellent, ahead of last year by 28 points. Calves were 91 percent good and 1 percent excellent, 15 points better than last year. Sheep and lamb conditions were also improved with 95 percent rated good and only 5 percent rated fair.

With warm weather and some areas still dry, range and pasture conditions showed a slight drop. At week's end, 53 percent was good to excellent, down 3 points from last week but still well above the 5-year average.

PASTURE AND RANGE FEED

	This	Last	Last	5-Yr			
	Week	Week	Year	Avg			
	Percent						
Very Poor	2	2	26	26			
Poor	15	12	27	25			
Fair	30	30	32	32			
Good	47	50	12	16			
Excellent	6	6	3	1_			

WEATHER SUMMARY: For the week ending Friday, July 29th, temperatures ranged from 2.4 degrees above normal in Saratoga to 3.6 degrees below normal in Casper. The high temperature was 103 in both Torrington and Wheatland and the low was 31 in Jackson. Eastern Wyoming received mostly above normal precipitation. Torrington reported the most precipitation with 2.21 inches, Newcastle reported 1.83 inches, 1.33 inches in Casper, and 1.23 inches in Douglas.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDED JULY 29, 2005

TEMPERATURE :			PRECIPITATION					
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:	:	:	:	:				
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:	:	:	DEP. :	AMT.:	DEP. :			
:	:				FROM :			
STATION :	MAX :				NORM :		WEEK :	NORM
SNAKE DRAINAGE								
Jackson	87	31	-0.2	0.00	-0.31	8.55	10.21	-1.66
Afton	87	35	1.1	0.13	-0.18	11.70	10.84	0.86
GREEN & BEAR DRAI	NAGE							
Uinta County AP	86	43	1.4	0.02	-0.19	6.70	6.56	0.14
Big Piney AP	85	35	1.4	0.33	0.09	6.98	4.32	2.66
Rock Springs AP	90	40	-1.5	0.11	-0.10	5.15	5.78	-0.63
BIG HORN DRAINAGE								
Cody	92	41	0.9	0.16	-0.10	8.02	7.04	0.98
Deaver	97	46	-0.1	0.10	-0.05	5.96	3.72	2.24
Greybull AP	100	47	-2.4	0.16	0.03	4.42 6.70	4.90	-0.48
Powell Field St	96	46	1.5	0.13			5.04	1.66
Worland FAA AP	97	48	-3.4	0.02	-0.15	4.92	5.15	-0.23
POWDER, LITTLE MO								
Kaycee	102	48	1.4	0.87	0.07	9.26		0.22
Sheridan WSO AP	94	44	-2.3	0.95	0.72	12.76	9.62	3.14
BELLE FOURCHE DRA		4.5	- 4	0 45	0 0 5	10.06	0 04	0 00
Dillinger	97	46	1.4	0.45	0.05	10.86	9.94	0.92
CHEYENNE & NIOBRA			0 6	1 00	1 20	10 14	10 20	0 00
Newcastle	100	45	0.6	1.83	1.32	10.14	10.38	-0.23
Redbird LOWER PLATTE DRAI	100	47	0.3	0.98	0.50	10.64	10.44	0.20
Archer	NAGE 99	45	1 6	1.07	0.47	12.24	10.98	1.26
Casper AP	97	45	1.6 -3.6	1.33	1.06	6.52	8.57	
Cheyenne AP	95	47	-1.5	1.10	0.49	9.03	10.29	-1.26
Chuqwater	99	45	1.9	0.49	0.45	10.87	10.25	
Douglas AP	99	48	-1.4	1.23	0.87		8.68	
Torrington AP	103	45	-1.9	2.21	1.81	10.71	9.39	1.32
Wheatland 4 N	103	47	0.4	1.15	0.70	9.46	8.75	0.71
WIND RIVER DRAINAGE								
Lander AP	95	47	-1.4	0.30	0.07	8.17	8.63	-0.46
Riverton AP	94	46	-0.9	0.19	-0.01	4.88	5.63	-0.74
UPPER PLATTE DRAINAGE								
Laramie AP	89	44	0.4	0.63	0.26	6.67	7.23	-0.56
Rawlins AP	92	40		0.68		5.49		-0.56
Saratoga	93	47	2.4	0.83	0.54	6.02	6.19	

BLANKS - INDICATE MISSING DATA.

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1/LATE REPORTS CAN CHANGE PREVIOUS WEEK'S CUMULATIVE TOTALS.